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An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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		Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) International Search Report (full and partial reports) in Application No. PCT/EP00/10068, which corresponds to the grandparent of the present application.
		Commonly assigned co-pending U.S. Application Serial No. 10/679,613 filed October 6, 2003, entitled CONVEYOR INDUCTION SYSTEM (RAP04 P-608C).

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